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## **NEWS RELEASE**

To: Local Media

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# **COVID-19 Weekday Update**

As of today at 2:00pm, there have been 16,974 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in the State of Wisconsin. Statewide, 550 individuals have died due to complications related to COVID-19. In Rock County, there have been a total of 607 confirmed positive cases, an increase of 19 from this time yesterday and a total of 18 COVID-19 related deaths. There have been a minimum of 7,875 negative tests results reported in our county, 264 of those being reported today.

As of this morning, our Rock County hospitals- Mercyhealth, SSM Health St. Mary's Hospital- Janesville, Edgerton Hospital and Health Services, and Beloit Health System- are providing in-patient care for 20 patients who have tested positive for COVID-19, a decrease of 6 from yesterday. Please keep in mind that hospital census changes frequently.

Please visit our website, <u>www.co.rock.wi.us/publichealth</u> for additional local COVID-19 information updated daily.

**Reminder:** The Safer At Home Order was not ended because it's now safe out in the community. The virus has not changed and it is still spreading in Rock County. All of us need to adjust to a "new normal", and the Rock County Reopening Plan outlines what that might look like. Remember, we are all still safer at home.

### New Municipality Data Available

The Rock County Public Health Department has added a new COVID-19 Demographic Report for Beloit, Janesville, and Other Areas of Rock County on their website. This report will be updated weekly, and can be found here: <a href="https://www.co.rock.wi.us/publichealth-familycommunity/publichealth-communicabledisease/coronavirus-disease-2019#updated-visual-data-case-numbers-projections-maps-and-graphs">https://www.co.rock.wi.us/publichealth-familycommunity/publichealth-communicabledisease/coronavirus-disease-2019#updated-visual-data-case-numbers-projections-maps-and-graphs</a>

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